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THE ANVIL, PLOUGH AND LOOM.

WRITTEN FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, BY DAVID L. MOATH.

I.

Ye who sing as you toil of your valiant sires,
Who rose with the hours and event;
Ye may talk as you will of the mighty pen,
Redoubing the brain's proud blood;
But greater, far greater, than either of these,
In the power of Those in their bloom—
Let the cry gather force as it onward goes,
Hail the Anvil, Plough and Loom!

II.

'Tis brighter than hope on the conqueror's brow,
Hard won in the battle's turmoil,
The glory acquired at Loom, Anvil and Plough,
By the true hearted children of Toil;
A tribute to Labor—a tribute to Worth,
As free as the summer air,
To merit wherever 'tis found on the earth—
A tribute unbiding and fair.

III.

Then honor, all honor to those whom we sing,
The sure defenders of the land—
From the North to the South let the anthem ring,
To the honest, toiling band.
Their Era is coming—the glorious day,
When Fame shall her chaplet throw
With a joyful heart and a cheerful lay,
On the Laborer's sturdy brow!

Augusta, Ga.

Original Novelet.

THE IRON HAND.

(CONTINUED.)

WRITTEN FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, BY T. S. ARTHUR.

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CHAPTER IX.

It was within an hour of daylight when Mrs. Howland, worn down by her long vigil, fell asleep, and an hour after the sun had risen, before her troubled slumber was broken. Then, starting up, she eagerly inquired of her husband, who had already arisen, and was walking about the room, if Andrew had yet returned. Mr. Howland merely shook his head.

Soon after breakfast was announced, and the family assembled at the table; but one place was vacant.

"Where is Andrew?" asked Mary.

No answer was made to this question, and Mary saw, by the expression of her parents' face, that to repeat it would not be agreeable. A few minutes afterwards the bell rung. As the steps of a servant were heard moving along the passage towards the door, Mr. and Mrs. Howland sat listening in breathless expectation. Soon the servant came down and said that a man wished to see Mr. Howland.

At this word the latter started up from the table, and left the room. At the street door he found a man, whose appearance indicated his attachment to the police of the city.

"Mr. Howland?" said he, respectfully, yet with the air of a man who had something not very agreeable to communicate.

"That is my name," replied Mr. Howland, stirring, but in vain, to assume an air of unconcern.

"You are wanted at the Mayor's office," said the policeman.

"For what purpose?" was inquired.

"Your son is before his Honor, on a charge of attempting to set fire to a row of new buildings last night."

At this intelligence, Mr. Howland uttered an exclamation of distress, and, stepping back a pace or two, leaned heavily against the wall.

"Well! What is wanted with me?" asked the unhappy father, recovering himself, after a few moments.

"To go his bail," replied the officer. "The Mayor demands a thousand dollars bail, in default of which, he will have to go to prison and there await his trial."

"Let him go to prison!" said Mr. Howland, in a severe tone of voice. He was beginning to regain his self-possession.

"No, Andrew!" came firmly from the lips of Mrs. Howland, who had followed her husband, unperceived, to the door, and who had heard the dreadful charge preferred against her son. "Don't say that! Go and save him from the disgrace and wrong that now hangs over his head—and go quickly!"

"You, Mr. Howland," said the officer, "your lady is right. You should not let him go to prison. That will do him no good. And, moreover, he may be innocent of the crime laid to his charge."

"He must be innocent. My boy has many faults, but he would not be guilty of a crime like this," said Mrs. Howland. "Oh, Mr. Howland! go! go quickly and save him from these dreadful consequences. If you do not, I must fly to him. They shall not imprison my poor boy!"

"This is folly, Esther!" returned Mr. Howland, severely. "He has got himself, by his bad conduct, into a scrape out of which I will do him good to feel its iron grip. I can clear for bailing him, at least go to prison, and remain there for a few days. By that time he will be sick enough of his folly."

"I would not advise this," suggested the officer. "Deposit upon it, if his present position is of no avail towards working change for the better, in bailing him to prison will harden rather than reform him."

"Andrew!" said Mrs. Howland, with a firmness and decision of tone that reached a high degree of resolution on her part—"if you do not go his bail, I will find some person who will."

"Esther!" The offended husband fixed a look of stern rebuke upon his wife; but her large eyes looked steadily into his, and he saw in them, not relenting or anger, but a spirit that his own heart told him instantaneously, it would be folly for him to oppose. That look determined his action.

"I'll go with you," said he, after pausing a few minutes, turning to the officer as he spoke.

The charge brought against Andrew by the watchman, was an intention to set fire to the buildings in which he found him. Several unfinished houses had been burned of late, and there was great excitement in the public mind thereon. Had it not been for this, Andrew might have strolls his way into the building where he intended to sleep, without, in all probability, attracting attention. Unfortunately for him, a few matches were found in one of his pockets. This fact, added to his attempt to escape, and the rather exaggerated statement of the watchman, caused the Mayor to look upon the case as one that ought to go before the Court. He accordingly declined to receive an opponent's bail bond.

Not a word was spoken to Andrew by his stern father, on the subject of the letter at the Mayor's office. Mr. Howland locked at the evidence which went to support the charge of intended incendiarism against his son, and to his mind, prejudiced as it was against that son, the evidence was conclusive. In first, the culprit's eyes had seen rather more than, in ordinary, was to be seen, and his testimony was strongly colored.

The required security given, Mr. Howland, without turning towards his son, or speaking to him, left the office.

"You can go home, young man," said the Mayor, addressing Andrew.

"Oh, sir!" exclaimed the unhappy boy, in a distressed tone. "I am not guilty of this thing. Father turned me from the door because I was not home at ten o'clock, and I had no place to sleep."

"Impudence to parents ever brings trouble," replied the Mayor, in a voice of admonition. "Go home and try to behave better in future. If innocent, you will no doubt be able to make it so appear when your trial comes on before the Court."

Slowly the lad arose, and with a troubled and dejected look, retired from the office.

"Where is Andrew?" eagerly asked the mother, as Mr. Howland entered the house, after returning from the ground upon which he had gone.

"I left him at the Mayor's office," was coldly replied.

"Did you go his bail?"

"Yes."

"Why didn't he come home with you?"

"I didn't ask him."

"Andrew!"

Mr. Howland started at the tone of voice with which his name was pronounced. Again there was an expression in the eyes of his wife that subdued him.

"I gave bail for his appearance at Court, and then came away. He will, no doubt, be home in a few minutes," he replied. "But, I do not wish to hold any intercourse with him; for he has disgraced both himself and me."

"Is he not your son?" asked the mother, solemnly.

"He is not a son worthy of affection and regard."

"Andrew! when the sons of man wandered far away from God, and broke all His laws, did He turn from them as you have turned from this erring boy? No! All day long He stretched forth His hands to them, and said in a voice full of an infinite kindness—'Return unto Me; why will ye die?' It is not Godlike to be angry at those who sin against us; but, Godlike to draw them back with cords of love from error. Oh, Andrew! you have wronged this boy!"

"Esther! I will not hear the utterance of such language from any one!" exclaimed Mr. Howland, whose imperious nature could ill brook an admonition like this.

"I have uttered only what I believe to be true," answered the wife, in a milder tone, yet with a firmness that showed her spirit to be unsubdued. No further words passed between them. Half-an-hour afterwards, up to which time Andrew had not come home, Mr. Howland left the house and went to his place of business.

Time passed on until nearly noon, and yet Andrew was still away. Mrs. Howland, whose mind was in a state of strong excitement, could bear her suspense and fear no longer, and she resolved to go out and seek for her wandering son. She had dressed herself, and was just leaving her room, when, at the door of her room opened, and Andrew came in, looking pale and distressed. Across his forehead was a deep, red mark, the scar left by the wound received when he fell on the pavement, in his attempt to escape from the watchman.

"My son!" exclaimed Mrs. Howland, in a voice that thrilled the poor boy's heart—for it was full of sympathy and tenderness—and then the flower her arms around his neck and kissed him.

Overcome by this reception, Andrew wept aloud. As soon as he could speak, he said—

"Indeed, indeed, mother! I am innocent.—You wouldn't let me in last night, and I was going to sleep in the building, when the watchman came and said I meant to set it on fire. I'm bad enough, mother; but not so wicked as that. Why should I set a house on fire?"

"I didn't believe it for a moment, Andrew," replied Mrs. Howland. "But, oh! isn't it dreadful?"

"I'm not to blame, mother," said the weeping boy. "I didn't mean to stay out later than ten. But I was deceived in the time. I was a good way off when the clock struck, and I was home as fast as I could. I'm sure it wasn't ten minutes after when I rung the bell. But nobody would let me in; not even you, mother—and I thought so hard of that!"

With what a pang did these last words go through the heart of Mrs. Howland.

"I wanted to let you in," replied the mother, "but your father said that I must not do so."

"And so you left me to sleep in the streets," said the boy, with much bitterness. "I couldn't have turned a dog off in that way!"

"Don't, don't speak so, Andrew! You will break my heart!" returned the mother, sobbing. "I did open the door for you, but you were not there."

"I knocked and rung a good while."

"I know. But I had to wait until your father was asleep. Then I went down, but it was too late."

"Too—too, it was too late," said Andrew, speaking now in a firmer voice. "And it is too late now. I am to be tried as a felon, and, it may be, will be sent to the State Prison. Oh, dear!"

And he covered his face with his hands, and sobbed.

What little comfort she had to offer her unhappy child, was offered by Mrs. Howland. But few rays of light came through the heavy clouds that enveloped both of their hearts.

At dinner time, Andrew declined meeting his father at the table.

"Go and tell him," said the unyielding man, when the servant who had been sent to his room to call him to dinner, came back and said that he did not wish to come down, "that he cannot have a mouthful to eat unless he comes to the table."

"No, no, Andrew—don't say that!" quickly spoke Mrs. Howland.

"I do say it, and I mean it," replied Mr. Howland, fixing his eyes relentingly upon his wife.

Mrs. Howland answered nothing. But her purpose to stand between her unrelenting husband and wandering son, was none the less fixed; and in her countenance Mr. Howland read this distinctly. Accordingly, as soon as the latter had left the house, she took food to Andrew, who still remained in his room, at the same time that she expressed to him her sorrow with that he would meet the family at the tea table in the evening.

"I don't want to meet father," he replied to this. "He will only frown upon me."

"No is, of course, very much fretted at this occurrence," said the mother. "And you cannot much wonder at it, Andrew."

"He is more to blame than I am," was answered, in an indignant tone.

"Don't speak of your father in that way, my son," said the mother, a gentle reproof in her voice.

"I speak as I feel, mother. Is it not so?"

An opponent on this subject Mrs. Howland would not hold with her boy, and she therefore changed it; but she did not venture her opinion to both his reasons and his feelings, until he yielded to her wishes. An opportunity has passed the family at table—it was the first meeting with his father since the morning. Oh, what an heavy desire did he feel for a kind reception from his stern parent! It caused to him that such a reception would cause every thing harsh and rebellious, and cause him to throw himself at his feet, and make the humblest confession of error, and the most humble promises of future well doing. Also for the repentant boy! No such reception awaited him. His father did not so much as turn his eyes upon his son, and, during the meal, maintained a frigid silence. Another not but a few mouthfuls. He had no appetite for food. On leaving the table, he went into one of the parlors, whither he was followed, in a little while, by his younger brother, Edward, who was, by nature, almost as hard and unsympathizing as his father. It was the first time, on that day, that the two boys had been alone.

"Got a house on fire?" said Edward, in a half-mocking, half-contrition, insulting voice.

"If you say that again, I'll knock you down!" fell sharply from the lips of Andrew, in whom his father's repulsive coldness was beginning to awaken bad feelings.

"Got a house on fire?" repeated Edward, in a tone still more aggravating.

The words had scarcely left his tongue, ere the open hand of his brother came along side of his head, with a force that knocked him across the room. At this instant Mr. Howland entered. He made no inquiry as to the cause of the blow he saw struck, but took it for granted that it was an unprovoked assault of Andrew upon his brother. Thinking to the impulse of the moment, he caught the former by the arm, in a fierce grip, and struck him, with his open hand, as he had struck his brother, repeating the blow three or four times.

Andrew neither shrank from the blows, nor cried, nor offered the smallest resistance, but stood firmly, until his incensed father had satisfied his outraged feelings.

"You forgot, I suppose, that I could strike also," said the latter, angrily, when he released his son from the tight grasp with which he held him.

"No, sir," replied Andrew, with a calmness that surprised, yet still more incensed his father; "I thought nothing about it. I punished Edward as he deserved; and if he says to me what he did just now, will repeat the punishment, if it cost me my life."

"Silence!" cried Mr. Howland.

"I said nothing but the truth," spoke up Edward.

"What did you say?" inquired the father.

"I told him that he'd set a house on fire."

"And that when he said it," calmly and deliberately spoke Andrew.

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The Traveller.

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General News.

Thomas Tilghman of Virginia.—The second account is a and illustration of the evils of an elopement in the first place, and of the Independence of many products in the second. The Lynchburg (Va.) Republican of the 3d, says:

We are informed on this morning by a gentleman much respected for veracity, that Thomas Tilghman, Esq., of Amherst, died on the morning of the 29th ultimo, left in the township of Buckingham, a very interesting, and wealthy, widow, daughter of the parent.

The family of a Mr. Shaver had returned to this county in the evening, and engaged in the same thing business to Lynchburg, were the occasion of the unfortunate parents of the young lady. On reaching the first night stopping place, Mr. S. was troubled by the general opposition and position of things around him, and at last imagined that he was in his bain instead of his house. Yet there was the fire-place, and standing in it the barrel of rum beside the day provision, the clothes, the out upon the beautiful stars, and all the utensils of the kitchen. Assured from this survey that there was something wrong with either his head or his house, he presently discovered that the bare or shed had been entirely demolished—blown away by the storm—and that the house, a frame dwelling, had been lifted from the foundation and carried across the road, a distance of eighty feet, and put down upon the spot where the barn had stood. Not one of the family had been endangered by the storm—the barrel of rum had not been disturbed—pots, dishes and other utensil all undisturbed of change; and upon consultation at the point where the house stood, in its migration, it was here ascertained the roof, though there was not a mark of violence that any furniture plank or board had dragged upon the roof.—*Cumberland Transcript.*

A Veteran Lady.—We find in the Boston Traveller, the following account of a lady of Vermont, named Fletcher, who has within a few days been on a visit to some of her descendants in Boston:

"She is over 90 years of age, and is as much better able to sustain the fatigue of a long journey than some of her children and relatives, that, supported as they now are by a distance of a hundred and fifty miles or more—she, rather than they, complain of the fatigue. Mrs. Fletcher, as we are informed, was married at the age of 16, lived with her husband 55 years, and reared a family of 13 children. She has always been her own housework, including the care of her numerous family, and Co labor but—not to a much lesser extent than her years—she is still able to do a good deal of work in her family

Selected Poetry.

THE DREAM OF LOVE.

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Selected Articles.

FRENCH HOUSES AND CITIES.

Lodgings are the French shops. What a blaze of Hundreds! plate glass they present with their brilliant stuff in the windows. One wonders how they can all succeeded. But the population, not including the numerous garrison and clerks, that dwell. Hence there is a superabundant mass of buyers over each shop. Would you have a description of a French hotel or house? Here is one.

In the centre is a large gate. The one we speak of is filled with their best carriage, and is about fifteen feet high. It is wide enough to admit the largest vehicle. On one side of this gate is a door, the one devoted to long coats, and-no-cloth, and the other to boots and shoes. A printed bill informs you that an apartment de garten is to let, and one on the Entresol. This gate is always closed at dark, but is open during the day. The entrance is paved with flags. We enter it on one side at the back, my name twenty feet, to a little room, with a glass door. Over this is a sign. Speak to the Concierge. The Concierge is the Jacques of all trades. Be of all who live in the house, keeps the keys, receives letters, and cons of outside, and for a consideration will keep your room in order. Furnished apartments are very common in Paris. You may take one of these at price to suit your means, and have attendance in the house. You may order your meals from a neighboring Restaurant, or dine where you choose; and in houses where the sign Meuble is put up, you may have meals in the house. The garten is a kind of a hotel is not entered, and never has a front street apartment. The entrance is above the ground floor and has a low ceiling. It consists of an apartment complete, a drawing room, dressing-room and kitchen. In French houses one floor always at the same fixed. Once in your drawing-room or sleep, and you have eating and sleeping-rooms on the same floor. Above the entrance is the premier, or first floor, occupying in height to nearly the third story of one of our old-fashioned houses. This premier generally covers the whole story, and is very high. It will accommodate a large family. In first-class hotels there is a stable and a carriage-house belonging to the premier. Over the premier is the second apartment, which may be habitable or not up into several dwellings; then there is a third, fourth, fifth, and sixth, and sometimes seventh floor, having one room in each story, and a common stairs. The old hotels have their carriage and stables, with paintings over the interior doors; a style of ornament that, to the dead flat walls of our houses, so painful to effect.

The department of the Seine in which Paris is built, affords a very remarkable quality of stone, easily worked, which becomes harder with age. The exteriors of the houses are uniformly washed by the artist-scavengers of Paris, who, as a body, are unequalled for their taste, and can touch all tints and of the world. A gentleman who is not acquainted in society, will be seen making capital relievos, infinite fancies, warm repetitions of grapes, foliaged nature, giving brightness, beauty, and truth to architecture, and affording the rich the taste of their pride and nobleness. When the merchants of Paris and other places have their rights, they will build such palaces for themselves. It only requires the will; the genius lie within their hands; not in the grasp of Mines and speculators, if they but know the fact.

There are in the hotel of which we speak, one hundred and fifty people, when full. So many people living in one house, have a special code of good manners. Your neighbors mind their own business; you yours. There is a funeral going out of the house. Madame de Blank died three days ago, you did not know it, although she was just overhead. You have just finished an unpacking with a gentleman, a chevalier of the Legion of honor, at a rate where you both have breakfasted in at the same hour for six months. Yet exchange cards. You do not look at his address, but on going out of your hotel you take out his card to look where you shall find him, and you perceive that he lives at the same hotel with yourself. But you were not aware of it before. So do not imagine that because you live in a hotel you are not alone, more so than in a single house with gossiping servants, and convenient blinds next door overlooking your garden. Upon the whole, one comes to prefer the hotel system of Paris. If your means be small, still by picking out a small apartment in a good quarter, you can have the command of one of the finest gardens and parks in the world. Every city is a failure in comparison with Paris. London is vulgar; and you marvel at the subjects of the understanding which could plan the hospitalities and benevolence of New York or Philadelphia. Nature is beautiful and generous. Speculating and Profit-mongers is brutish. He has no idea for what he consumes or Godlike. He is mean or noble, and thinks he is far-seeing and your Benefactor.

If it were possible to infuse our single large hotel into the country, in the American sense; one fragment of heaven; one grand organ of the soul which would send tradition flying like a beggar to its native pauperdom, the city of Paris would do it. Here is the very heart of the city where I write, in a magnificent mansion, a Palace garden, redolent of beauty, with statues and fountains, and forest trees; alongside of it is the Place de la Concorde, and in continuation to the Elysian Fields. There is underground railway, and not far two miles, and in the South-Western quarter of Paris is the magnificent Garden of Plants, three quarters of a mile long; and in the Southern part the Luxembourg, which is about three times the size of the great Tuileries Garden. Our Eden are nearer and more; we contract land by the acre, and drive the divinity that longs to inspire us out of doors. We think we have superior inspiration in the Garden. Bloods of Paris and Paradise, had an author, wrote that garden which made Figaro of Cultivate and Beauty the care of the Mother Earth, which brought to production the strength and gems of youth, and caused the deep-hearted children of Nature's cause to fire in the outgoing mantle of the Creator. Yours. Let us give up the cost of a hard hotel, and the domestic institutions of a time-disparaging circle.—*Paris Correspondent of Ledger.*

Bonnets—Energy is contagious. The circle that surrounded the handsome boy of to-day was dissolved, and he is hooked to a prince. It is a week "of energy. The child who is a longer one contract, in a fine point to cause your friend with the admiration of angels. Who has not seen the life-giving power of energy? It makes the wilderness blossom like the rose; navigates our rivers; widens the ocean; feeds manufactures, power with lion a highway from State to State; and sends thought, with the speed of lightning, intelligence from one extremity of the land to the other. Without energy what is man?

Wit and Humor.

THE WIFE'S SECRET CAP.

Mr. ——, who lives not two miles from the Post-Office in this city, had taken a "Western friend with Southern" particular the other evening, and in attending to them the hospitalities of the "Crescent City," visited an variety of not precisely edible and "mixed drinks," which he was not accustomed to. Mr. ——, and his friend, on their way home, they found him to go to the Postal Office, you know, I believe, but without stopping, did go quite. "It was much inclement," he said, "the capricious that had my other to wind." And he said, "it was a hot thing to have so many hats, and to be thinking about your to other."

He talked nothing about office, or politics, or party. He didn't read any books. He didn't read at. He said hot little, but what he said was pertinent right. He was so sensible a man that Mrs. ——, who was a little, a little, a much better man, to my mind, and a great, also all circumstances. He took down all dinner, as it was, and showed up his hats, and did an amount of good there, all regulated and arranged, and for the sheer good and beauty of it, as I locally known Mrs. Franklin was too enough to have done. He had a good old-fashioned home, and gave fashioned and thrifty dish, without ever trying to, or making anything about money. He never made a hard speaking sermon. Hardly ever preached till he got dead. Never lectured. He wouldn't hurry for a freezer shower to buy them. "Let it rain," he would say; "it will do somebody some good. What signifies falling ourselves for a hard of hay?" He never drove his men, and never hurried them except at noon and dinner and he hoed them out done. "Come," he would say, "all hands rather hard, there's enough." And it was equal to see him sitting at the head of his old, long hollow table, with his lovely wife, and so much the equal of the honest old man of his in social quality by, with his grave, philosophic brain and jubilantly hard. He had a friend, Albert Tillman, would going a journey to see—an old Connecticut, Roger Sherman sort of a friend, by the-bill—for I never saw Roger Sherman's head—though I have Old. Hancock's. Albert Tillman was a man of little stature, and given to fits of wrath, hasty-tempered, in his fiery mood he was "a hot one." Albert Tillman, and the